



**Sustainable Arlington
An Environment Committee of Envision Arlington**

Agenda

Date: Wednesday, August 26, 2020

Time: 7:30 – 9:00 pm

Location: Virtual Meeting by Zoom

Registration required; link:

<https://harvard.zoom.us/join/register/tJEpdOGgqDsQGNHn9V3J1jw-iDafAQzFriPQ>

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At the start of the meeting, we will:

1. Confirm first and last name of everyone on the call for the minutes and make sure that everyone can hear each other
2. Read Preamble to Remote Meetings
3. Introduce all members, staff, and persons on the agenda
4. Review "ground rules" for online meetings
5. Meeting materials will be available online through Novus or Town website for the public

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1. Introductions
2. Peggy MacLeod, Western Mass. Pollinator Networks on supporting local pollinators
 - a. In 2017, Peggy retired from the Center for Eco Technology in Northampton where she was an advocate for green building and clean energy. She now co-directs an all-volunteer non-profit organization, Western Mass Pollinator Networks, which collaborates with individuals, towns, and other organizations to plan and build sustainable habitat for pollinators.
3. Update about local multi-town pollinator pathways project
4. Update from Planning Dept.,
5. Approve June and July minutes
 - a. Minutes available here:
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/13Xdt6yXPoqkj4KkOq4JGUHokzdg7ZNI?usp=sharing>

6. Vote on supporting Town Black Lives Matter Resolution.
 - a. Link to Resolution:
<https://arlington.novusagenda.com/agendapublic/CoverSheet.aspx?ItemID=9111&MeetingID=1056>
7. Sustainable Arlington Survey Report (Envision Arlington 2020 survey) Discussion
 - a. Link to report: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rthdzLycf2yNnn-NgFRWVo1J2AfVleXX/view?usp=sharing>
8. Brief Clean Heat for Arlington Update
 - a. DPU has a docket #20-80 for comments about getting off of natural gas. Search for 20-80 here to see comments and submit your own:
<https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/DPU/Fileroom/dockets/bynumber>
9. New business
10. Announcements
 - a. Participate in citizen science to support pollinators. Check out The Beecology Project
 - b. First MCAN Newsletter:
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Acsj175KggPTpIP6SJQkOaUEEeqIAdrc/view>
 - c. "How Gas Leaks Affect Our Trees: The science, the signs, and what we can do" 5-28-2020 Webinar. Expert panel moderated by Arlington Town Manager Adam Chapdelaine. Webinar recording:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k2xOvwX4Qyc&feature=youtu.be> For additional resources on gas leaks and trees from the Multitown Gas Leaks Initiative which includes Arlington, see: <https://wellesleyma.gov/1522/Gas-Leaks-And-Trees>.
 - d. Find webinars, other online events at <http://www.sustainablearlington.org/>
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